
Title: Chapter One, Part 2

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First Chapter: Ancient
History to the Shattering
of the Gem

The hero who
answered this call is
known to us only as "The
Stranger." The Stranger
was a mighty warrior and
a spellcaster, but even he
could do no harm against
the power of Mondain,
since Mondain had reached
full mastery of the Gem.
Yet, the Stranger
prevailed by traveling
backwards in time, and
putting an end to Mondain
by shattering the Gem
just as Mondain was
realizing its power. As his
life was bound with the
Gem, Mondain died
immediately upon its
shattering.

At the death of Mondain,
the future that had seen
his rule disappeared,
utterly, and a new future
began its story. Yet, this
story plays itself out not
in the Stranger's Sosaria
(of which we know but
little) but inside each
fragment of the
shattered Gem of
Immortality. In fact, in
every facet of every
shard there exists
another Sosaria. Many are
similar, but no two
identical. Some are even
so similar that the same
individuals live in them
and perform the same
deeds.

